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TELEGRAM FOR "THE BIG HOUSE" SENT BY "MAKSIM" VIA "VIKTOR" (1943)

From: NEW YORK

To: MOSCOW

No: 945

18 June 43

To VIKTOR^[1].

Here is a 60-group telegram for the Big House^[ii]. First group [4 groups unrecovered]^[a] second group [4 groups unrecovered]^[a]

[60 groups unrecovered]

No. 518

MAKSIM^[iii]

T.N.: ^[a] The 60 groups are 5-digit groups and must represent already-enciphered text. The pair of 4 unrecovered groups probably each represent a 5-digit group from the 60-group telegram encoded in the form of two two-digit numbers and a one-digit number, plus some form of punctuation - e.g. "First group 12345, second group 67890."

Comments: ^[i] Lt.-Gen. P.M. FITIN.

^[ii] Unidentified, but presumably a large Government office in MOSCOW. The "Big House" was also referred to in NEW YORK-MOSCOW Message No. 544 of 21st April 1943 [REDACTED] and there is also extant an unpublished fragment of NEW YORK-MOSCOW message No. 928 of 3 July 1942 which reads: "....., Neighbours [SOSEDI] or the Big House"

^[iii] Probably Vasilij Mikhaĭlovich ZUBILIN (or ZARUBIN), Soviet Vice-Consul in NEW YORK.

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